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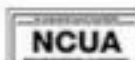
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California to allow college athletes to be paid, in blow to NCAA rules

Currently, athletes are not compensated for use of their name or likeness.

California cleared the way on Monday for college athletes to profit from brand sponsorships and endorsement deals, as Gov. Gavin Newsom signed legislation making it the first U.S. state to give them that potentially lucrative opportunity.

The legislation states that college athletes may profit from their "name, image or likeness." It could set up a showdown between the most populous U.S. state and the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the influential governing body for intercollegiate athletics, over the NCAA's long-standing rule that college athletes cannot be provided compensation.

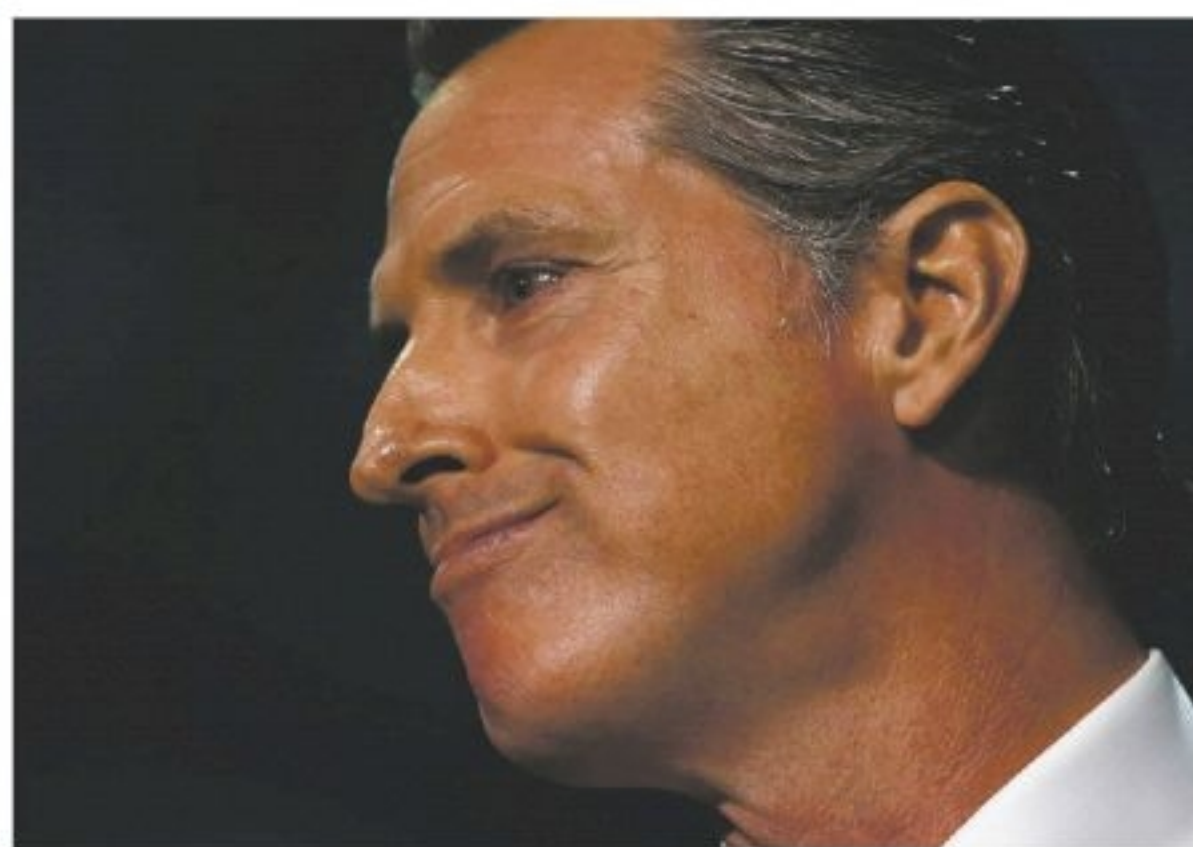
The measure is due to take effect in 2023.

"Colleges and universities reap billions from these student athletes' sacrifices and success but block them from earning a single dollar. That's a bankrupt model — one that puts institutions ahead of the students they are supposed to serve," Newsom, a Democrat, said in a statement, referring to schools and the NCAA.

Newsom signed the bill during an appearance on the HBO pro-



National Collegiate Athletic Association headquarters. ISTOCK



California Gov. Gavin Newsom. REUTERS

gram the "The Shop" alongside the show's host, Los Angeles Lakers star LeBron James, a vocal supporter of the measure.

"I'm so incredibly proud to share this moment with all of you," James, who bypassed college basketball and went straight from high school to the National Basketball Association, wrote on Twitter. "@gavinnewsom came to The Shop to do something that will change the lives for countless athletes who deserve it!"

The measure states that endorsement deals should not have any effect on student scholarships provided by colleges. It also permits student athletes to em-

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California Gov. Gavin Newsom

ploy agents.

The measure could make California colleges more attractive to top recruits in high-revenue sports like football and basketball.

The bill's sponsors have said it also could encourage star players to stay in school rather than dropping out to turn professional.

The Indianapolis-based NCAA said the California law risks con-

fusing current and future student athletes by creating different rules for colleges in different states.

"A patchwork of different laws from different states will make unattainable the goal of providing a fair and level playing field," the NCAA said in a statement.

The NCAA reported total revenues of more than \$1 billion last year,

about 80 percent of which came from television and marketing rights fees.

The Pac-12 Conference, whose member schools are located in Western states including California, said in a statement it is "disappointed" with the move, expressing concern about "many unintended consequences related to this professionalism" in college sports.

In a call with reporters on Monday, Newsom seemed unconcerned that the NCAA might sue or ban California colleges from NCAA competition and said the measure aims to establish a new status quo by addressing a social-justice issue.

"This is going to force a radical departure from the existing rules and regulations around the NCAA. They're either going to be rolled over by it, public opinion and other states' rules, or they're going to have to wake up and lead," Newsom said.

New York, Colorado and South Carolina are considering similar legislation to follow in California's footsteps. REUTERS

Seinfeld wins copyright battle over hit Netflix series

2 Jerry Seinfeld has defeated a lawsuit claiming he stole the Netflix hit "Comedians in Cars Getting Coffee" from a former colleague who said he had pitched the idea for the show a decade before its debut. U.S. District Judge Alison Nathan in Manhattan on Monday said Christian Charles took too long to sue, having waited six years to file his lawsuit after Seinfeld had in 2012 rejected his copyright claim. The statute of limitations

was three years. "Today's victory is a complete vindication," Seinfeld's lawyer, Orin Snyder, said in a statement. "Jerry created 'Comedians in Cars' and this lawsuit was nothing but a money-grab seeking to capitalize on the success of the show. We are pleased that the court saw through the noise." Charles, who said he had worked with Seinfeld since 1994, said he mentioned the idea to Seinfeld for "Comedians in Cars" as early as 2002. REUTERS

WeWork pulls IPO filing, bonds slide to record low

3 WeWork's parent The We Company said on Monday it will file to withdraw its initial public offering, a week after the SoftBank-backed office-sharing startup ousted founder Adam Neumann as its chief executive officer. The withdrawal of its IPO prospectus formalizes the end of the New York-based company's pursuit of a near-term listing and allows Neumann's successors to proceed with the company's financial turnaround without disclos-

ing as much information publicly. The company's high-yield bond price slid to a record low after the move was announced. The decision to abandon the IPO marks the conclusion of a tumultuous few weeks for the office-sharing firm, which failed to excite investors who raised concerns about its burgeoning losses and a business model that involves taking long-term leases and renting out spaces for a short term. REUTERS

Italy's ruling parties call for lowering voting age to 16

4 Italy's coalition parties said on Monday they were in favor of reducing the minimum voting age to 16, in a move which analysts said would increase the electorate by about 1 million people. Italy would be the second E.U. country after Austria to lower the minimum age to participate in national elections below 18, according to the U.S. CIA's "World Factbook." Former Prime Minister Enrico Letta triggered the debate on Monday when he called for

the voting age to be immediately lowered after young people flooded the streets of cities around the world to demand political action to counter climate change. "It is a way to tell those young people ... that we take them seriously," Letta, a member of the co-ruling Democratic Party (PD), told la Repubblica. Currently Italians have to be 18 to elect representatives to the lower house of parliament, and 25 to vote in elections for the upper house, the Senate. REUTERS

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Vape ban: Lawsuit questions legality of Baker's action



Gov. Charlie Baker told reporters Monday that his administration was prepared for a lawsuit challenging the state's four-month ban on vaping product sales. STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

Lawyer for shops says ban will "put them out of business."

Three vape shops sued the Baker administration Sunday over the state's emergency four-month ban on sales of e-cigarette products, a ban that their lawyer said amounts to a "death sentence."

Owners of Mass Dynamics in Weymouth; Boston Vapor in Salem, New Hampshire; and Vick's Vape Shop in Medford filed a complaint in federal court alleging that the ban is unconstitutional and will do irreparable harm to their businesses.

Craig O'Rourke, their attorney, told the News Service on Monday that he has heard from several other stores interested in joining the suit. People in the industry are worried

they will not be able to cover rent, wages and other expenses, he said, since vape sales have been suspended until Jan. 25, 2020.

"It's going to put them out of business," O'Rourke said. "It's a death sentence. They're trying to figure out what to tell their families and their employees."

Massachusetts last Tuesday became the first state in the nation to halt sales of all e-cigarette products amid growing concerns over a mysteri-

ous lung illness associated with vaping.

Gov. Charlie Baker, who declared a public health emergency as he suggested the ban, said Monday that more than 70 cases have been identified in the Bay State and almost 900 nationwide, but that exact causes remain unclear.

Baker told reporters the administration is prepared for the lawsuit and stands by its actions, seeing a pause as necessary to

get a clearer sense of the full risks associated with vaping products.

"People aren't really quite sure about why, and until we have a better answer on why, we felt the best thing to do is to put in a four-month ban," he said after attending a housing event in North Quincy. "Obviously people have the ability to go to court if they wish to, and we'll continue to make our case associated with the public-health issue on this."

Both tobacco and marijuana products are affected by the widespread ban, which was approved by the state Public Health Council shortly after Baker announced it. Federal health officials are also closely examining the reports of respiratory problems, and Baker said he hopes to receive guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and implement a new regulatory framework "by the end of the ban." STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

California Pizza Kitchen is giving away 10,000 free pizzas

What better way to celebrate National Pizza Month than free pizza?

California Pizza Kitchen (CPK) is teaming up with Grubhub to give away 10,000 CPK Take and Bake Pizzas on Tuesday Oct. 1, starting at 11 a.m.

California Pizza Kitchen and Grubhub took to social media to share this exciting news.

There is no minimum purchase required to get your free pie. This offer can be redeemed once per user. Pizza lovers can choose one of the three classics with regular hand-tossed crust only. Their choices are the classic, Original BBQ Chicken Pizza, Pepperoni Pizza or Cheese Pizza.

In addition to free pizza, CPK shared its third annual nationwide pizza survey, conducted by Harris Poll, all about America's pizza habits. It turns out, if Americans could only eat one food for the rest



of their lives, pizza would be it!

The love that Americans have for pizza runs deeper than a deep-dish pizza. The survey shows that 40 percent of Americans would willingly give up dating for a year in order to receive free pizza whenever they wanted. About a quarter of Americans would go on a date just to have someone pay for their pizza.

Millennials' dedication to pizza is so strong that over 46 percent of them have worked out so they could indulge in pizza. Additionally, 61 percent of millennials said they'd be willing to give up social media for a year to get free pizza whenever they desired.

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I do not want to touch politics'
DEXTER HOLLAND

The leader, vocalist and guitarist of punk-rock band The Offspring chatted with Metro on what he sings about and why he does not like politics.

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If you would meet a person who had never heard about The Offspring, what would you tell them?

That we have a small band, and we make energetic music, I guess. Well, I would add that they're missing out on a lot by not knowing anything about us. But to be honest, the question puzzles me. I've never had such a conversation before [laughs].

What do you talk about with your fans through your songs?

The main thing is that we are a punk-rock band. We want people to learn thinking on their own, make their own choices and not just do something because someone says so. And create their own path.

Almost every song you have has a background, a story that happened in reality. Can you give an example of one that talks about something



valuable for you personally?

One of the examples would be "The Kids Aren't All Right." It is about the fate of children who did not turn out to have good lives. The inspiration came from the situation when I drove past one house in my neighbourhood, and thought, "Here Jim grew up, he died in a car accident... and the other friend was killed." I started having those memories, and I wrote a song.

"Pretty Fly" talks about a guy who thinks he is cool, but looks more like an idiot.

It seems to me that we live in a world in which people talk about something all the time. That is happening because of the internet.

"We want people to learn thinking on their own, make their own choices and not just do something because someone says so."

Dexter Holland

And often people talk without thinking. I did not see this five years ago. It's interesting to watch how the world is changing in this direction. And I think this is a problem.

Let's talk about you. Punks are always very bright, even shocking onstage. But what about your everyday life?

When I go out to the crowd, I want to shout, to be bright. But this is an image. In ordinary

life, we are not necessarily the same. In fact, we are a little more normal. And certainly we are not shocking anyone.

What can you say about modern punks in general? How different are they from those of the '80s and '90s?

This is a difficult question, because punks have always been very different. Some were involved in political issues, others liked to sing something realistic, like the Sex Pistols. Others

were very energetic... In short, there are many interpretations. The main difference is that the age of the internet has come. People sing right from the bedroom, and they can do pretty well. One person can promote himself. It was impossible 20 years ago.

Are there any topics that are forbidden for you onstage?

I strive to ensure that people have a good time at our concerts, receive a charge of positive emotions. Therefore, I do not want to touch politics or try to say what needs to be done, how people should behave. In our lyrics we don't want to go that far, either.

Music is a significant part of your life. If not that, what would you be doing?

I think I would become a biologist, although I did not study this subject in-depth at school. Or maybe I would become a pilot. What? Is it dangerous? Planes are falling? Well, there is no turning back. I actually piloted, it was quite fun.

There are so many heroes in our world right now. People land planes on a cornfield, take out children from burning houses. Is there someone special for you, a hero whom you could single out?

Oh my goodness... A real hero? Difficult to say...

Well, I can immediately say that you are mine. You are cheering me up with your music! Yes, really [laughs]? Thank you!

I'm serious. Many people work in offices and live with grumpy spouses. What would you advise them? Personally, I think they just should tune in to your songs!

Many people come up to me and say, "Your songs give me hope!" Often people find in them some important message for themselves. When I hear that my songs helped in a difficult life situation, I'm happy. At such moments, I am very grateful to the fans. It means that my songs find a destination. So, listening to music is good advice.

Everyone thinks that it is cool to form part of The Offspring. But tell the truth, what's really cool about it, and what do you dislike?

I definitely have nothing to complain about. I have the best job in the world. I am the vocalist of a punk-rock band. And I sing on the stage in many countries. Sometimes you get very tired, especially when traveling for too long. A trip to a concert could take 12 hours.

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Filmmaker Kevin McMullin on his new buried-treasure film 'Low Tide'

The new film, starring Jaeden Martell, hits theaters this weekend.



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It's one thing to feel like a tourist in a part of the world you have no right to call your true home. But it's another thing completely to try to fit in with a rough, hard-edged crowd that can see right through you. Writer-director Kevin McMullin explores the juxtaposition of being both a physical and emotional tourist in his first full-length feature film, "Low Tide," in theaters this weekend.

The film follows a gang of three teens, Alan (Kean Johnson), Smitty (Daniel Zolghadri) and their hot-tempered leader Red (Alex Neustaedter) as they break into the summer houses of wealthy tourists who have second homes on their blue-collar New Jersey shore town. Once Smitty breaks his leg leaving a job, the gang is left without a third man as a lookout and need to enlist Alan's brother Peter (Jaeden Martell, from "It") to come along for their next heist. That score is



"Low Tide." Jaeden Martell, Kean Johnson, Alex Neustaedter and Daniel Zolghadri. 124

the rumored buried gold left unclaimed by a recently deceased old man who had lived out on one of the town's remote islands. Once this treasure comes into play, their close-knit dynamic begins to fracture like caked mud underneath their boots.

When I spoke with McMullin over the phone, I asked if he had a similar upbringing as the gang in the film or if he was considered what they would call a "BENNY" — someone from Bayonne, Elizabeth, Newark and New York.

"I was a little of both, actually," says McMullin, who spent much of his formative years in Point Pleasant Beach, N.J., where the majority of the movie was filmed. "It's middle-class with a lot of blue-collar folks who live there year-round. Then in the summer, there's a lot of summer vacationers. I always thought that

dichotomy was interesting and worth exploring. Especially through a group of local kids who, I wouldn't say are like Robin Hood, but maraud and pillage wealthy vacation homes."

As the kids get in a little bit too deep over their heads, they begin

to brush up against the law, namely with local Sergeant Kent, played by Shea Whigham. The cast of mostly child actors completely encapsulates the paranoia and fears that McMullin hoped to convey in the film. Early on, he was thankful to cast Martell as Peter, who serves as the film's moral center.

"One of the first phone calls I ever got was from the reps for Jaeden Martell. They said he was interested in playing Peter, who I think was originally written to be slightly younger in the script. But I knew from the get-go that this was going to be the most challenging role to cast, because it was a young actor with a severe character arc. When Jaeden's name popped up, I recognized it immediately from 'Midnight Special' and 'St. Vincent.' When I got the opportunity to speak with

him on Skype, he was the sweetest kid. Really shy, pensive and thoughtful. He understood the character, the story, and had great ideas. I thought, we are going to be so lucky to have him," says McMullin.

At its core, "Low Tide" is a buried-treasure film. I ask McMullin if the pursuit of a chest full of gold is something that he thinks will always be a universal dream for those looking for a life-changing payday.

"My favorite thing about those narratives, and this movie, is that it's less about the treasure," explains McMullin. "Even though I understand the mythology and where that gold comes from and why it was found, it's not that important emotionally. It was more fun for the audience to watch a room full of kids who found it, lie to each other."

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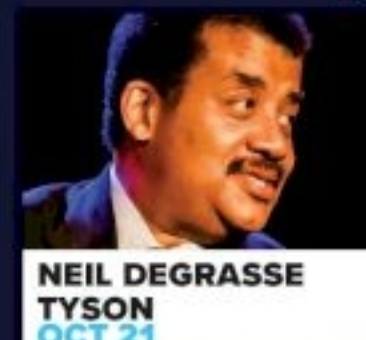
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SPORTS

Gostkowski slumping hard

The Patriots kicker has missed extra point attempts in the past three games.



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The two most difficult positions to find greatness in the NFL are quarterback and kicker.

For the past 23 years or so, the Patriots have been all set at both — with Drew Bledsoe and Tom Brady holding down the fort at QB, and Adam Vinatieri and Stephen Gostkowski establishing themselves as two of the most reliable legs in the league.

But it's become clear by now that Gostkowski is no longer reliable. In fact, he's currently shaky at best.

Gostkowski could very well cost the Pats a game or two this season (or ... gulp ... a playoff game) if he doesn't find some semblance of consistency again. He missed two extra points and a



Patriots kicker Stephen Gostkowski has had a brutal start to the 2019 season.

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field goal against the Dolphins in Week 2, missed one extra point in Week 3 against the Jets, and another XP on Sunday against the Bills.

Bill Belichick seemingly doesn't trust him anymore as the Patriots went for it on 4th and 8 from the Buffalo 35-yard line on Sunday (they were bailed out

by a pass interference penalty).

Gostkowski hasn't even attempted a field goal from 50-plus yards out so far this season and has tried from the 40-49 yard range just two times total (going 1 for 2). That may be entirely due to game circumstance, but it's hard to believe Belichick has any faith with Gostkowski from long-range at the moment.

"It's me," Gostkowski said after the narrow 16-10 win over the Bills Sunday. "I'm just not very consistent right now."

Truth be told, Gostkowski hasn't been the stone-cold kicker he was earlier in his career for a while now. The first significant miss he had was in the AFC title game in Denver in 2015 when he missed an extra point. The Pats lost by two points in that one, having to go for a two-point conversation to try and tie it at the end because Gostkowski had shanked one earlier. He also missed the only extra point he

attempted in the Super Bowl three years ago against Atlanta, and he missed an extra point attempt in the Super Bowl loss to the Eagles.

Metro spoke one-on-one with Gostkowski last year, and the four-time Pro Bowler talked about how his focus has always been the same. Once the game is over, he doesn't bring any of the mental anguish home.

"As a kicker you can't dwell on a missed kick," Gostkowski said. "It's always on to the next one ... I don't have time to look back on the kicks. Every kick is a new kick. Plus, with kids at home, 'Blues Clues' is the only thing on TV. I'm not watching my kicks over and over again."

Bringing in another kicker to challenge or replace Gostkowski likely isn't happening. You can count on your hand the amount of kickers already in the league that are thought of as "nails," never mind finding one on the free-agent scrapheap.

Buffalo outraged at hit on QB Allen

Buffalo is in an uproar over the hit that Patriots defensive back Jonathan Jones delivered on quarterback Josh Allen Sunday. Bills coach Sean McDermott said he believed that Jones should have been ejected for the helmet-to-helmet hit. Bill Belichick disagrees.

"I think when a player, when there isn't really much you can tell him to do differently, then I think you don't tell him anything," Belichick said Monday. "I mean, Allen's a big runner. He's a strong guy. He's hard to tackle. He certainly broke several tackles against us. Jon turned when he hit him. He didn't lead with his head. He didn't have that posture. So, again, I think [NFL Senior Vice President of Officiating Al Riveron] talked about the play yesterday and that's what we have to go by."

Riveron said, "We didn't feel that the contact rose to the level of an ejection. [Jones] actually turns. Obviously there is helmet contact but we have standards for an ejection, and this did not rise to that standard; therefore we did not eject him."

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First, the good news (at least for bettors) ... Boston College (+4.5) covered the point spread this past Saturday in a 27-24 loss to Wake Forest. The wildly inconsistent Eagles are now 60 percent against the number, having covered earlier games vs. Virginia Tech and Rutgers.

There were also some glowing positives in the box score. BC won total yardage 533-440 despite having the ball for almost 12 fewer minutes while running a dozen fewer plays. Yards-per-play went to the home underdog by an impressive 7.1 to 5.1 count.

How did BC lose straight up? Many big plays occurred in the middle of the field. The Eagles couldn't move the chains on third downs (2 of 12), while Wake Forest seemingly marched at will (17 of 24). Boston College also turned the ball over twice, and had two drives end on fourth down failures.

A lost opportunity, needless to say.

Worse news in the big picture. Boston College could take a HUGE hit in many analytics-based ranking systems because their "down line" posted awful results. Here's a quick peak at how BC's other 2019 opponents fared this past weekend.

*Virginia Tech (-3) lost to Duke 45-10 this past Friday night. That's almost a 40-point market

miss! B.C.'s season-opening upset of Virginia Tech looks much less impressive now than it did at the time. Tech's only victories were grinders over Old Dominion and Furman.

*Richmond (-10) lost at Fordham 23-16. Opponents from lesser conferences don't influence analytics as much. But, this was a 17-point miss for a past BC victim.

*Kansas (+14.5) lost at TCU 51-14. This is really bad because the Eagles were beaten so soundly by the Jayhawks in that home debacle.

*Rutgers (+27) lost at Michigan 52-0. It's never a surprise when a team like Rutgers is routed by a big-name program. But, Michigan struggled its



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past two outings vs. Army and Wisconsin. Rutgers missed expectations by 25 points.

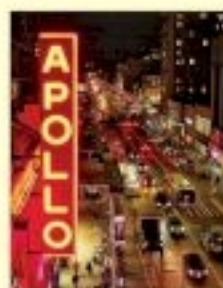
A combined 171-40 scoreboard loss for BC's prior opponents. They missed market expecta-

tions by a combined 102.5 points in just four games. That's going to leave a byte mark.

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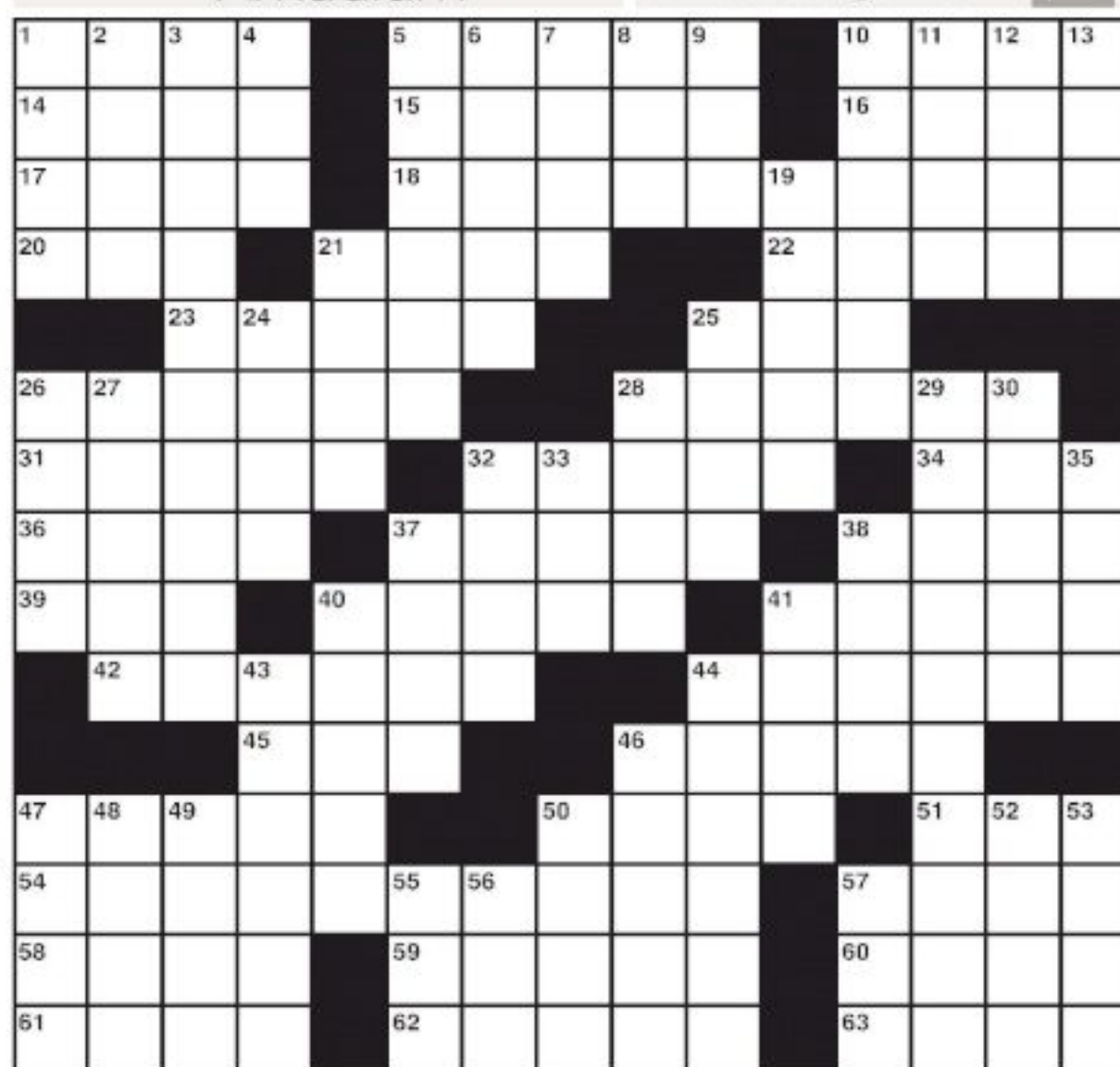
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42 Young swan
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46 Church steeple
47 "___ John B"; Beach Boys hit
50 Lowly laborer
51 Siesta time
54 ___ cherries
57 Actor Everett
58 ___ Bator, Mongolia
59 ___ whack; on the blink
60 ___ one's tongue; kept silent
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62 Sorrowful drops
63 Infuriates

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1 "Shop till you ___"
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10 Articles of clothing

11 Forbidden thing
12 Lincoln's namesakes
13 Sit for an artist
19 Train tracks
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24 Maple ___; symbol on Canada's flag
25 Destiny
26 Arguments
27 Esau & Jacob's dad
28 eBay offers
29 Everything considered
30 Taking to court
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35 Western author Zane
37 Flower stalk
38 "___ Trek"
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Aries Don't pass up an opportunity. If you take too long to make a decision, you will lose the momentum you need to carry off your plans properly. Trust your instincts.

Taurus Don't worry about what others plan to do. Follow the path that makes the most sense to you. Promises that someone makes should not be trusted.

Gemini Don't try to cash in on what someone else is doing. If you look for your own path to follow, you will end up much further ahead. Set the standard and become a leader.

Cancer Change things around at home to accommodate a project you want to start. If you use your imagination, you will come up with a way to keep someone's complaints to a minimum.

Leo Personal improvements will not go unnoticed. Don't let someone's jealousy get in your way. Be proud and use your accomplishments to further your goals. Romance is on the rise.

Virgo Get out and mingle, network and find out what everyone else is doing. Your interest will improve your popularity and help you implement a positive lifestyle change.

Libra Make a point to use your skills and charm to your advantage. When faced with opposition, a friendly nudge will encourage positive change. Choose harmony over conflict.

Scorpio Change may be on your mind, but first put an end to situations that are detrimental to achieving your goal. Embrace the future with optimism.

Sagittarius Offer suggestions, pitch in and help, and be a good listener, but don't share personal information that could be used to meddle in your affairs. Choose not to reconnect with your past.

Capricorn An unexpected change will turn out better than anticipated. Have faith in the people you love and use your insight and personal skills to bring everyone together.

Aquarius Your financial state will be important when it comes to stress management. Put some of your old money-saving techniques to work and see how quickly you turn things around.

Pisces Don't let someone trick you into something that could be costly or damaging to your reputation. Take the high road, do things by the book and be helpful. EUGENIA LAST

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